from the existing capacity, implementation of R&M programme, reduction in T&D losses, effective load management and energy conservation measures and obtaining assistance from neighbouring States/Systems.

**Price of Petrol**

1896. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the price fixed for petrol and diesel per litre in Karnataka and particularly in Bangalore city;

(b) the price of petrol and diesel per litre in Chennai, Mumbai and Delhi;

(c) the reason for fixing higher rate for petrol and diesel in Karnataka and particularly in Bangalore; and

(d) whether the Government propose to take steps to fix uniform rate for these petroleum products throughout the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) and (b) The retail selling prices of Petrol (MS-87) and Diesel (HSD) in Bangalore, Chennai, Mumbai and Delhi as on 1.1.97 are as under :

| | Rs./Ltr. | |
|---|---|---|
| | MS-87 | HSD |
| Bangalore | 24.97 | 9.33 |
| Chennai | 24.93 | 8.87 |
| Mumbai | 24.03 | 9.00 |
| Delhi | 21.13 | 8.02 |

(c) and (d) The ex-storage point price of petrol & diesel at all the refineries is fixed at uniform level. The transportation cost, local levies like State Sales-tax, Octroi imposed by various States/Local authorities vary which affect the final selling price of Petrol & diesel in different States.

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**Drinking Water Projects in Uttar Pradesh**

1897. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of projects given clearance for supply for potable water in urban areas of Uttar Pradesh during the last two years; and

(b) the amount sanctioned to implement each project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) Under the Centrally sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme, 27 water supply schemes have been sanctioned for various towns in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the last 2 years. The details regarding names of towns and their project cost is enclosed as Statement. A total of Rs. 1978.92 lakhs has been released as Central share under the programme which includes funds for 32 other schemes sanctioned during previous years.

Apart from the above, proposal for augmenting water supply facilities in respect of U.P. hill towns at the project cost of Rs.4533 lakhs was also received for grant of assistance by the 10th Finance Commission. The same have been technically examined and recommended by this Ministry for financial assistance to the Ministry of Finance as per the recommendation of the 10th Finance Commission which have since been approved.

**Statement**

| S. No. | Name of Town | Sanctioned Date Mon./Year | Project Cost |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 1. | Bilariaganj | January, 96 | 64.70 |
| 2. | Ramnagar | -do- | 75.70 |
| 3. | Sankargarh | -do- | 157.80 |
| 4. | Ghorawal | -do- | 87.60 |
| 5. | Sidhaur | -do- | 58.80 |
| 6. | Chopan | March, 96 | 133.50 |
| 7. | B.B. Nagar | -do- | 68.30 |
| 8. | Daurala | -do- | 74.60 |
| 9. | Faridpur | -do- | 59.50 |
| 10. | Usawan | -do- | 72.50 |
| 11. | Saurik | -do- | 81.00 |
| 12. | Harriya | -do- | 62.40 |
| 13. | Hariharpur | -do- | 63.00 |
| 14. | Bansgaon | -do- | 81.20 |
| 15. | Bikapur | -do- | 101.50 |
| 16. | Sarai Akil | -do- | 98.98 |
| 17. | Dudhi | -do- | 156.70 |
| 18. | Pali | -do- | 63.80 |
| 19. | Oran | -do- | 59.00 |
| 20. | Risia Bazar | -do- | 86.15 |
| 21. | Narendernagar | -do- | 240.50 |
| 22. | Chamba | -do- | 537.80 |